

TOWN OF ROSE – TOWN BOARD MEETING

June 10, 2024

Meeting was brought to order by Chair VandeCastle at 7:00pm.

Members Present: Chair VandeCastle, Supervisors Perez and Cutts, Clerk VandeCastle and Treasurer Gotthart.

Others Present: Mike Urban, Karl and Sharon Atkinson

Motion was made by Supv. Perez, seconded by Supv. Cutts, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Minutes of the 5/13/24 regular board meeting were read by all. Motion was made by Supv. Perez, seconded by Supv. Cutts, to accept the minutes of the 5/13/24 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

The Treasurer Report was read and discussed by all. Motion was made by Supv. Cutts, seconded by Supv. Perez, to accept the Treasurer Report and pay the bills as presented. Motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT: None.

OLD BUSINESS: More shouldering on 14th and Akron was done. Alp Ln. was repaired from the snowplow damage. The powerline that went down on Cty. Rd. P re-routed traffic to town roads for about 3-4 hours. Mike said there wasn't too much damage from the semis using the town roads. Some brush still needs to be cut back in a few places. Mike will repair the pothole on Apache. Brian Freimark suggested that the damage on Archer be repaired with cold mix and then do a single seal coat on the entire stretch from the town line to Cty. Rd. A: about 2 miles estimated at \$31,500. 14th was paved in 2022 and will be crack filled this year. The Board discussed the transportation budget. Roadside mowing and possibly spraying still need to be accounted for. Supv. Cutts made the motion, seconded by Supv. Perez, to chip seal Archer from town line to Cty. Rd. A and have Mike patch the damaged section with cold mix. Motion carried. The Board would like to do \$12,500 of crack filling and then pulverize and grade Akron as far as the budget allows.

Supv. Cutts emailed his contact at Alliant but has not gotten a response yet. The word is that the local farmers will not allow the wind mills to take over their farm land. Another municipal chairman said it's a losing battle. Supv. Perez will be attending the Solar meeting on Thursday evening at the Highway Department. More information will continue to be gathered

Matt Mielke spoke with Supv. Cutts regarding placing bee boxes in the Town Forest to collect the bees that have no home. Matt explained the process to Supv. Cutts. Matt spoke with the other bee hive owners, and they don't have a problem with it. Supv. Cutts told Matt to go ahead and put the bee boxes in the Town Forest. Matt will be enhancing and protecting the bees, not stealing the bees. He will be collecting the bees that have left the hive.

Karl Atkinson from the Waushara County Highway Department showed the Board samples of flag type fire signs. The Town of Rose currently has 531 fire signs. New sign posts would not need to be purchased as they would re-use the current posts. The reasoning behind the flag type fire sign is better visibility. By doing a large quantity at a time, the County would sell the signs to the township at a discounted price of \$35-40 per sign. The Board discussed replacing some each year. Karl stated the fire fighters think the blue is the easiest to see at night. This would have to be budgeted for, and the Board should not ask the landowners to pay for the replacement sign. Supv. Perez made the motion, seconded by Supv. Cutts, to have all new properties going forward be made flag type, blue material, with the road name at the bottom of the sign. Motion carried.

Supv. Cutts and Mike Urban will contact Mary Williams to set up a time to get the safe out of her basement. They will open the safe and dispose of it.

NEW BUSINESS: Supv. Perez does the maintenance at the Bohemian Cemetery. He uses his own equipment and gas. The rate of pay for mowing and spring and fall cleanup have not changed in the 6 years since he took over the work.

The Board discussed increasing the rates. Supv. Cutts made the motion, seconded by Chair VandeCastle, to approve changing the rate from \$35 to \$50/ mowing and from \$50 to \$75 for spring and fall cleanups. Motion carried. Supv. Perez abstained.

Someone contacted Chair VandeCastle about purchasing a piece of property on 14th Ave. in the Town of Rose to build a campground. Circumstances have changed, and they are no longer looking at land in the Town of Rose.

Chair VandeCastle reported on the following:

- Survey dividing Ted Steinke's old property into 3 lots: 6.99, 13.22 and 11.19 acres
- Zoning letter: Lynn Surita – Violation-remodeling done and no building permit
- Zoning letter: Adam & Elizabeth Mackiewicz – Travel trailer violation
- Land Use Permits:
 - Jeff & Sere Kratochwill: Section 2 – Wooden Pergola
 - Dopp Dairy Domain: Section 1 – Place a manufactured home on concrete slab
 - Jerome Strehlow: Section 24 – Construct an accessory storage structure
 - Michael Laufenberg: Section 32 – Detached garage
- Clean Sweep program brochures for 2024

Clerk VandeCastle reported on the following:

- Assessment change notice letter to be approved for Accurate Appraisal to send out
- Forest Tax Law Land letter from DNR: Jerald Apps – Section 33 – Transfer
- Local Road Certification option to receive materials and sign maps electronically. The Town will do it electronically
- The Open House at the New Government Center will be Tuesday, June 25th from 4:30-8:00pm

Supv's Perez and Cutts, Chair VandeCastle and Clerk VandeCastle attended the WTA meeting at Silvercryst. Clerk VandeCastle has submitted the required MOE form to receive the additional Shared Revenue.

The agenda for July was discussed. The next meeting will be Monday, July 8, 2024.

Supv. Cutts made the motion, seconded by Supv. Perez, to adjourn the meeting at 9:17pm. Motion carried.

The foregoing is an unapproved draft version of these minutes. Therefore, they are subject to amendment or change at subsequent meetings of this Board. Any such changes will be detailed in the minutes of the meeting at which the amendments are proposed.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy VandeCastle
Town of Rose Clerk